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SUBJECT:R/V VIRGINIA KEY PORT CALL

1. NATIONAL OCEANOGRAPHIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMIN (NOAA) SCIENTISTS WILL BE USING R/V VIRGINIA KEY DURING MID-AUG AND EARLY SEPT IN EXPERIMENT DESIGNED STUDY CIRCULATION OF CARIBBEAN AND GULF OF MEXICO . ON ABOUT AUG 22, VESSEL DESIRES CALL BRIEFLY AT MEXICAN NAVY FACILITIES AT ISLA MUJERES TO RETRIEVE A SURFACE DRIFTER BUOY LOST IN EXPERIMENT DURING MAY, AND SUBSEQUENTLY RECOVERED BY MEXICAN NAVY. ADMIRAL DOROTEO SILVA OF MEXICAN NAVY HAS DISCUSSED- THIS WITH DR. HARRIS STEWART OF NOAA.

2. SHIP WILL DEPART MIAMI AUG 18 AND HEAD FOR YUCATAN CHANNEL. SCIENTISTS WILL RELEASE AND TRACK BY RADAR TRANSPONDERS, SEVERAL SURFACE DRIFTER BUOYS. MOVEMENT OF BUOYS WILL YIELD INFORMATION ON CIRCULATION OF WESTERN CARIBBEAN AND GULF OF MEX. ADDITIONALLY XBT'S AND STD SYSTEM WILL BE EMPLOYED- OBTAIN SALINITY AND TEMPERATURE PROFILES. ALTHOUGH NO RESEARCH WILL BE CONDUCTED IN MEXICAN WATERS, IT DESIRABLE TO CALL AT ISLA MUJERES TO PICK UP BUOY

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3. SHIP HAS 65 FT. LENGTH; 17 FT. BEAM; AND 7 FT DRAFT.
CALL LETTERS WTAV. VESSEL COMPLEMENT- CONSISTS OF MASTER
BURNHAM NIELL, TWO CREWMEN, PLUS SCIENTIFIC PARTY OF
THREE HEADED BY DR. ROBERT MOLINARI OF NOAA. ALL ARE
AMERICAN CITIZENS.

4. ACTION; REQUEST EMBASSY SEEK PORT CLEARANCE FOR
R/V VIRGINIA KEY ON/ABOUT AUG 22. KISSINGER

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